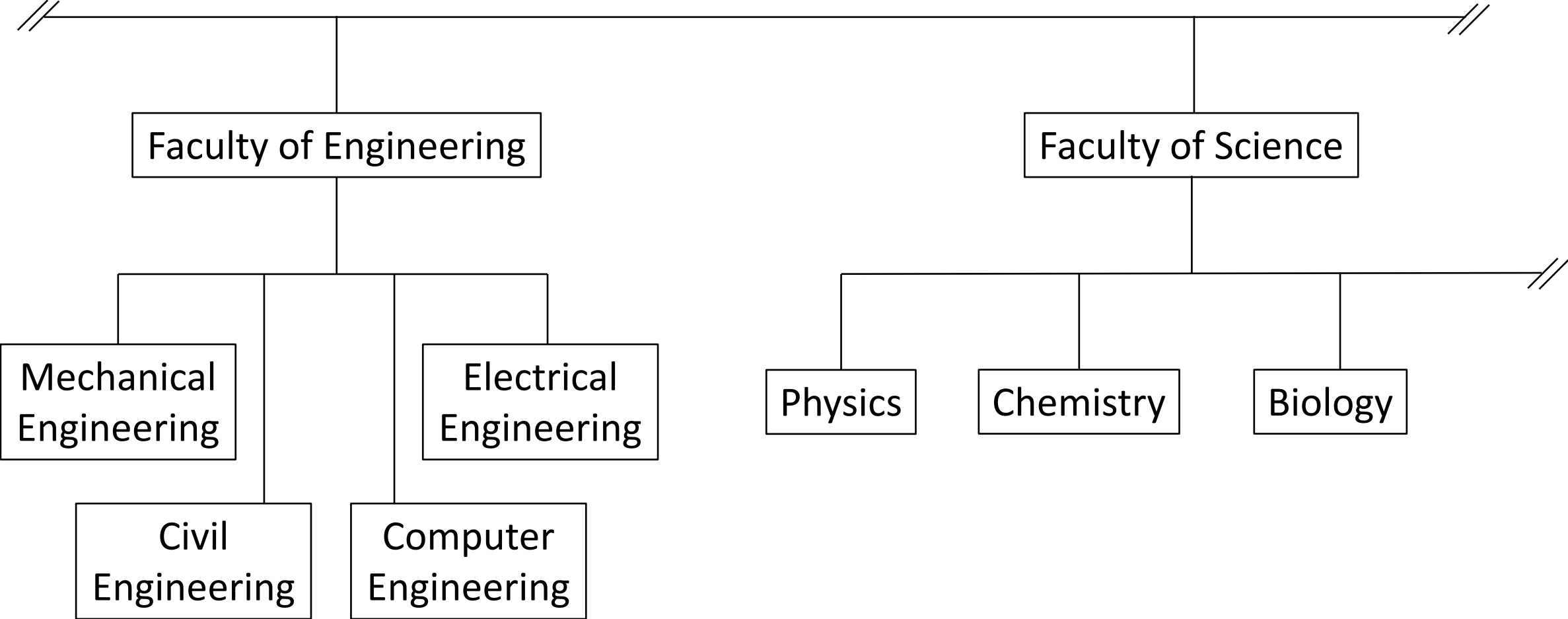


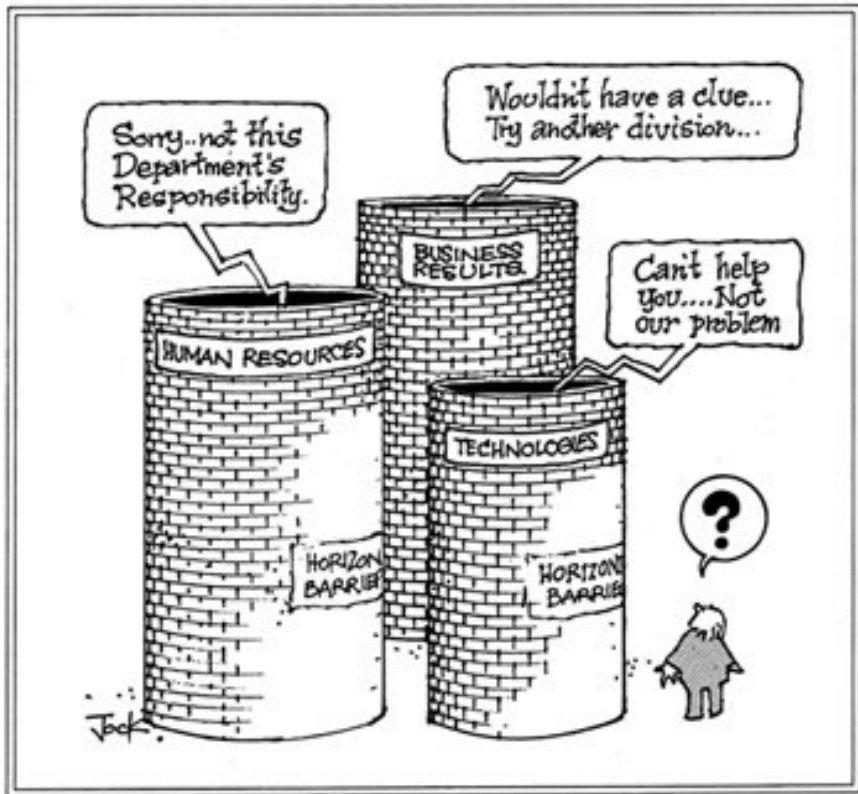
# Quantum Science Centres Across Canada and Around the World

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# Typical University Organization Schemes



# Organizational Silos in Business and Academia



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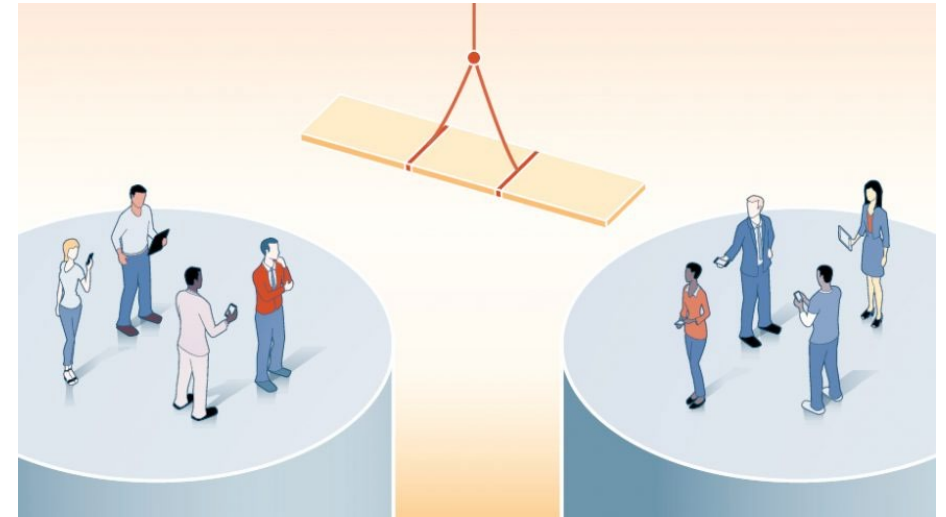
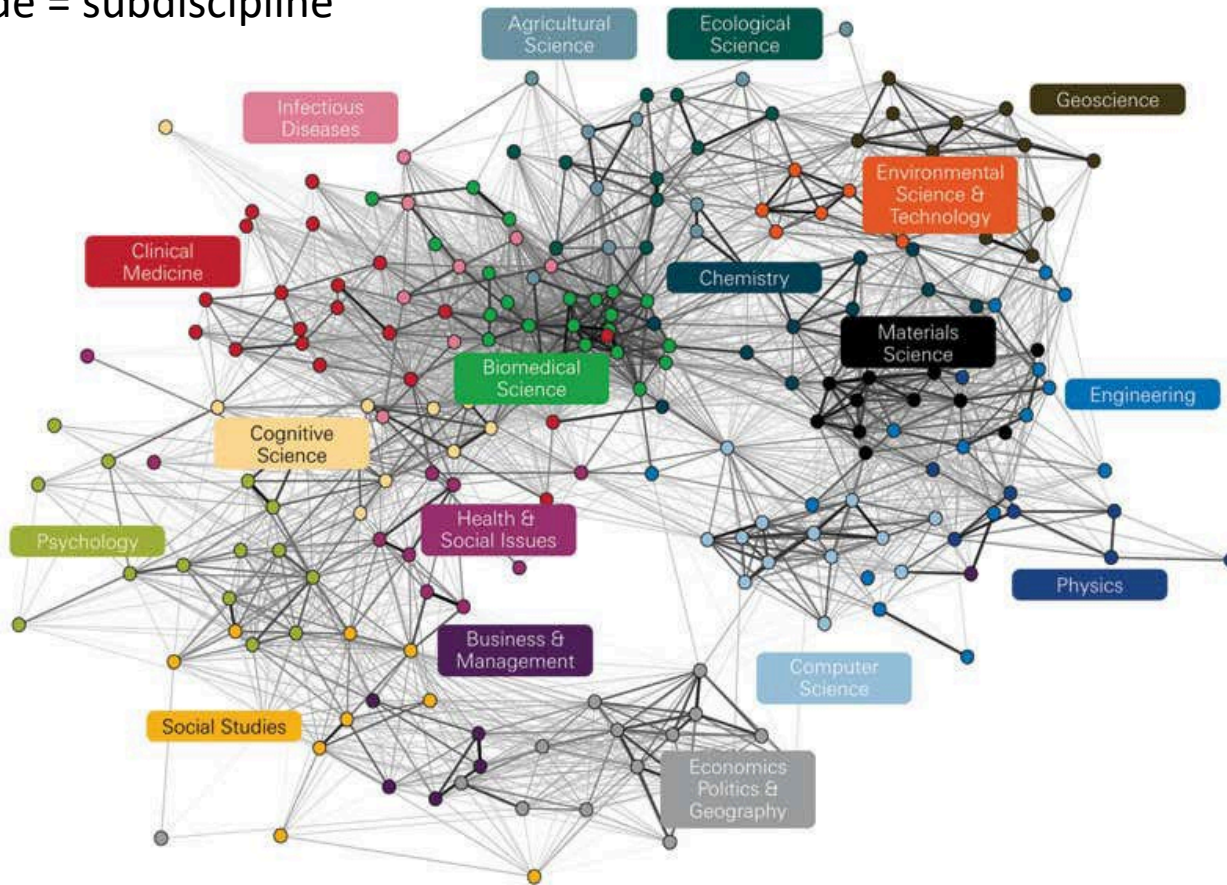
Problems arise when individual departments become so focused on their own priorities that they lose track of the organization's wider needs.



**Inefficiencies and missed opportunities**

# Breaking Down Silos – Encouraging Interdisciplinary Science

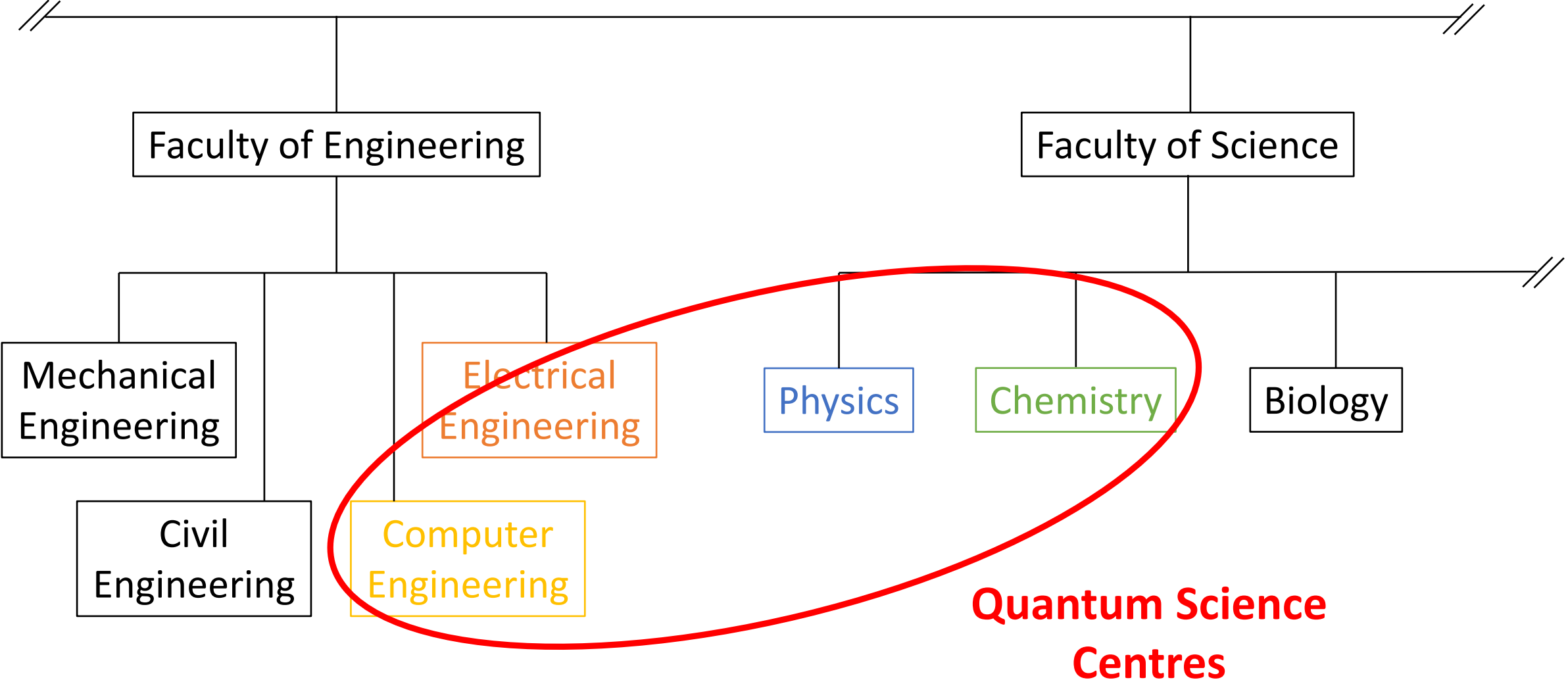
Map of journal cross-citations  
Node = subdiscipline

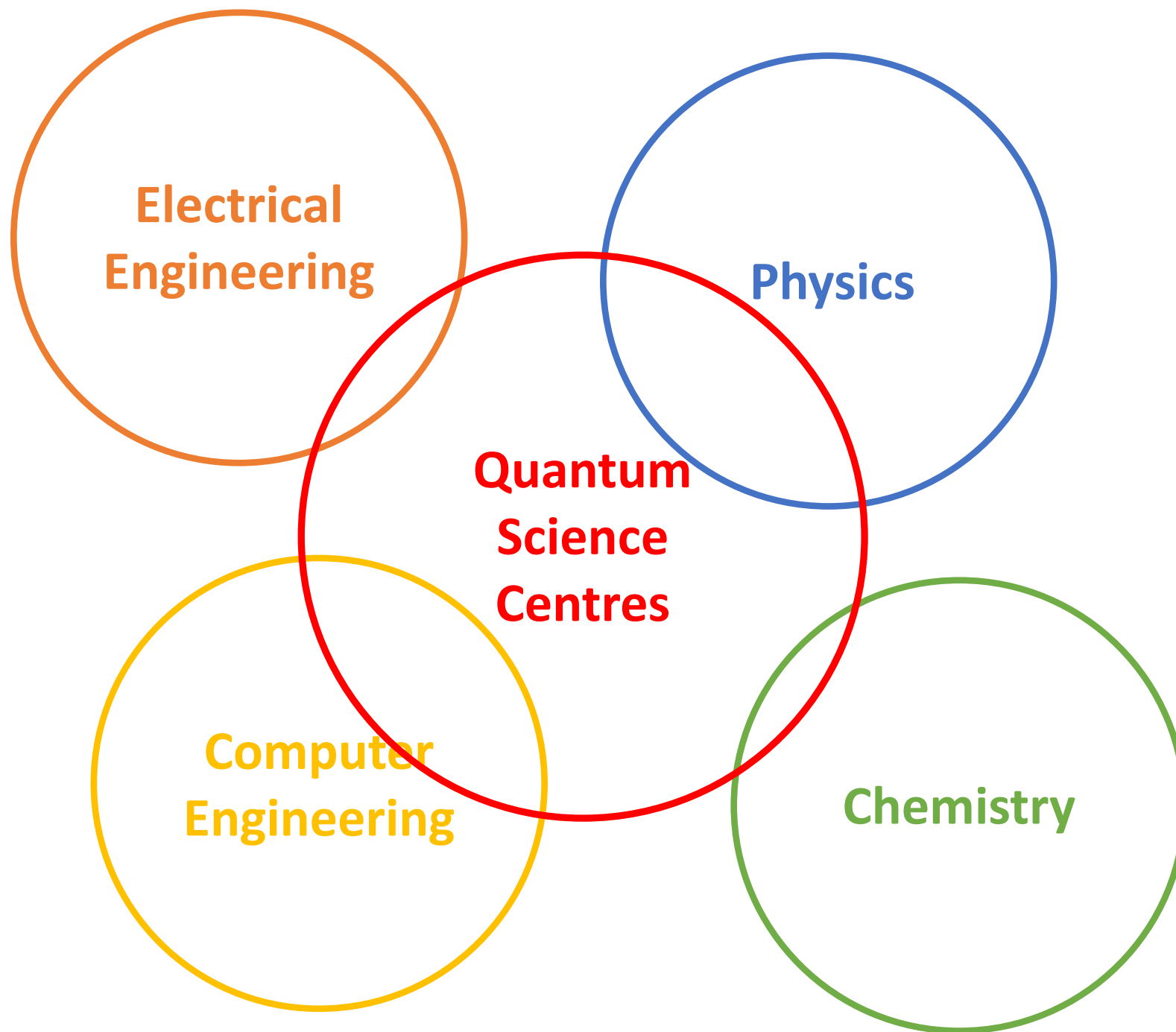


- Get executive buy-in
- Bring teams together
- Create a unified vision
- Develop shared goals
- Incentivize collaboration

<https://www.newscientist.com/article/mg20928002-100-open-your-mind-to-interdisciplinary-research/>

# Quantum Science Centres Vs. Typical University Organization Schemes





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**Physics**

**Quantum  
Science  
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**Computer  
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**Chemistry**

## Canada

- UBC Stewart Blussom Quantum Matter Institute  
<https://qmi.ubc.ca/>
- U. Calgary Institute for Quantum Science and Technology <https://iqst.ucalgary.ca/>
- U. Saskatchewan quanTA: Centre for Quantum Topology and Its Applications  
<https://artsandscience.usask.ca/quanta/index.php>
- U. Waterloo Institute for Quantum Computing  
<https://uwaterloo.ca/institute-for-quantum-computing/>
- U. Toronto Centre for Quantum Information and Quantum Control  
<https://cqiqc.physics.utoronto.ca/>
- U. Sherbrooke Institut Quantique  
<https://www.usherbrooke.ca/iq/en/>

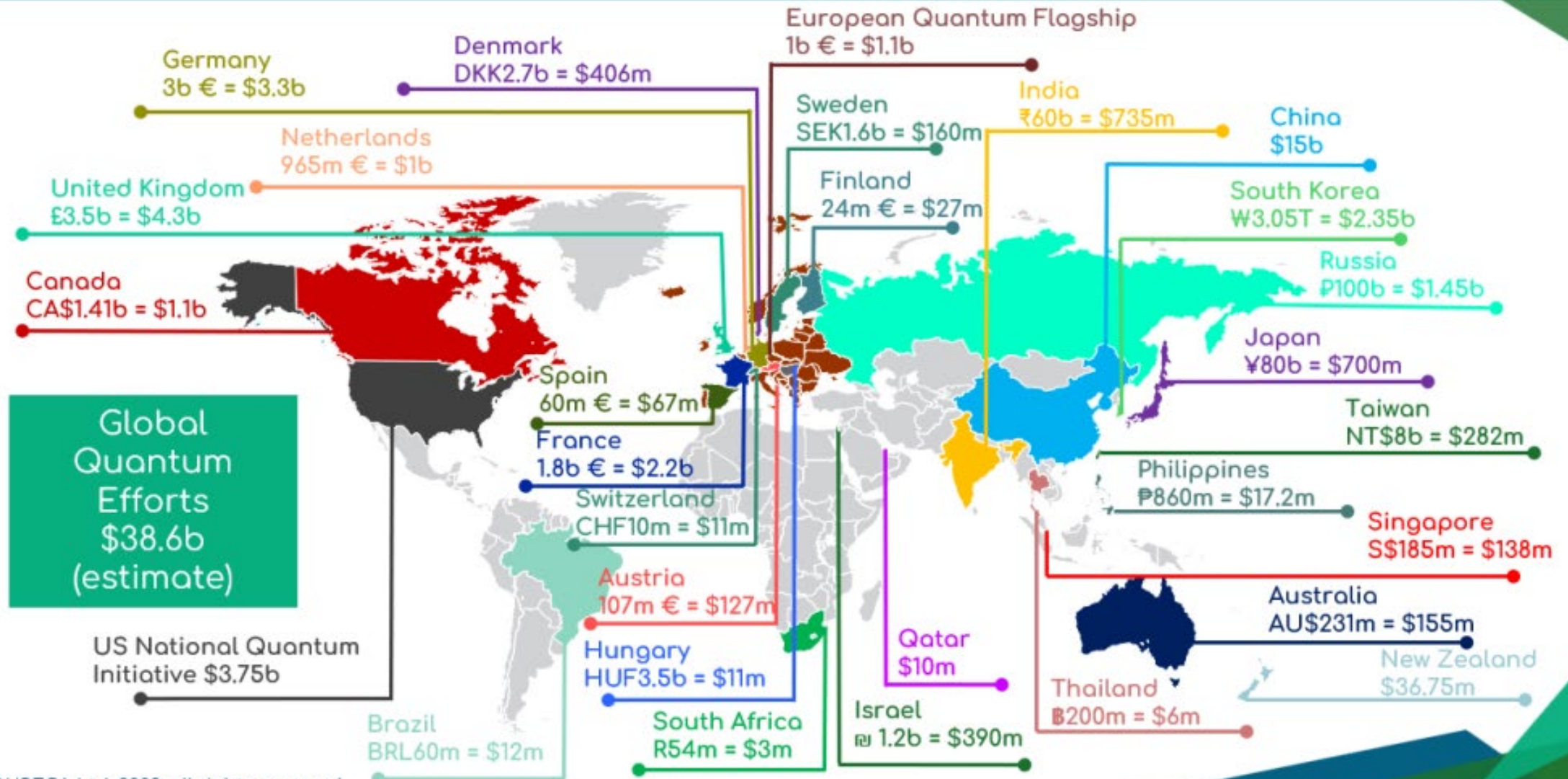
## Worldwide

- ORNL Quantum Science Center  
<https://qscience.org/about/>
- Fermilab Superconducting Quantum Materials and Systems Center <https://sqmscenter.fnal.gov/>
- LBNL Quantum Information Science and Technology <https://cs.lbl.gov/what-we-do/quantum-computing/>
- LLNL Quantum Science and Technology  
<https://quantum.llnl.gov/>
- Munich Center for Quantum Science and Technology  
<https://www.mcqst.de/research/overview/>
- DESY Center for Quantum Technology and Applications (CQTA) <https://quantum-zeuthen.desy.de/>
- CERN Quantum technology initiative  
<https://quantum.cern/>

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# Quantum effort worldwide



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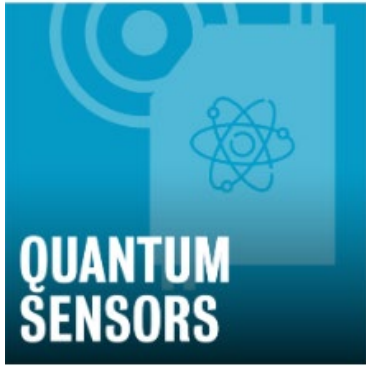
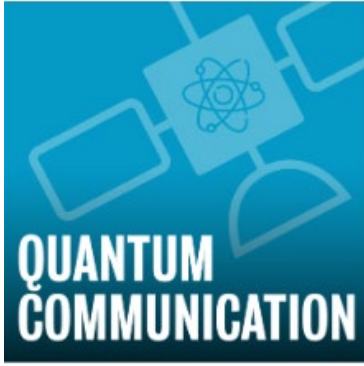
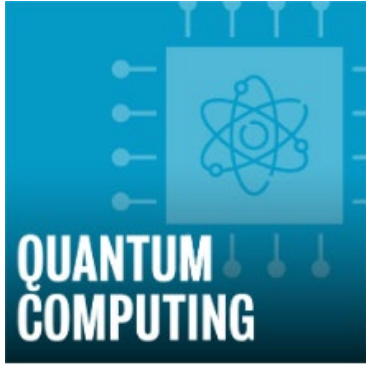
# What can TRIUMF learn from Quantum Science Centres in Canada and around the world?

- Similar visions – quantum science as a unifying
- Similar organizational structures (cross departmental)
- Varying emphasis on five principal quantum technologies reflecting the underlying strengths of the organization.
- Rely on the nebulous definition of ‘quantum’ to include a wide range of science.

**How effective are they in practice?**



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### Coherent Spintronics Group

The Coherent Spintronics Group focuses on furthering the science and technology of quantum devices by developing prototypes and quantum control methods necessary for scalable Quantum Information Processing (QIP).

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### Functional Quantum Materials Group

The Functional Quantum Materials Group's research focuses on a particular aspect of the electrons – their spin degrees of freedom.

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### Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Laboratory

The liquid state laboratory (Chemistry 2, room 170) houses all of the test equipment and tools necessary to design, construct, troubleshoot and repair RF instruments. Professor Bill Pover's chemistry laboratory is available for use for sample preparation.

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### Quantum Information with Trapped Ions

The Laboratory for Quantum Information with Trapped Ions (QITI) studies interaction between quantum degrees of freedom in a laser-cooled trapped ion system. QITI aims to create a flexible quantum system, with control at the level of individual particles for studying problems in quantum many-body physics and computation.

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### Quantum Materials and Devices Lab

Quantum Materials and Devices Lab ("The Tsen Group") aims to uncover new physical phenomena in quantum materials with reduced dimensionality, and incorporate these materials in novel (opto)electronic devices for quantum information technology.

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### Quantum Simulation with Rydberg Atom Arrays

The Quantum Simulation Group provides access to quantum simulators as shared facilities to support fundamental research in condensed matter physics and accelerate the development of novel quantum materials. Our first-generation quantum simulator exploits strongly-interacting quantum many-body systems formed by two-dimensional configurations of neutral atoms excited to a Rydberg state, also known as Rydberg atom arrays.

### Digital Quantum Matter Lab

The Digital Quantum Matter laboratory is dedicated to researching and designing quantum information processing devices. The ultimate goal of the group will be to build a fully general quantum computer.

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### Jamison Lab

The Jamison Lab studies ultracold matter, cooling atoms and molecules to within a few billionths of a degree of absolute zero. We use this ultracold stuff to study the complexities of many-body quantum systems and quantum chemistry.

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### Optical Quantum Communication Theory Group

The Optical Quantum Communication Theory Group explores the interface between quantum communication theory and quantum optical implementations.

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### Quantum Innovation (QuIN) Lab

The Quantum Innovation (QuIN) Lab presents the lessons from the study of carbon nanotubes and exciton-polaritons, and gives perspectives and current progress on strategic action plans for the future.

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### Quantum Optics and Quantum Information Lab

The research interests of the Quantum Optics and Quantum Information Lab are in:

- experimental quantum optics,
- nonlinear optics,
- state reconstruction and measurement, and
- interferometry.

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### Quantum Software Group (Qsoft)

As a growing array of quantum technologies are developed, the need for "quantum software" grows. The main focus of Qsoft: The Quantum Software group, is to develop a range of tools for the synthesis and optimization of quantum software to be run on fault-tolerant quantum computing hardware.

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### Engineered Quantum Systems Laboratory

In the Engineered Quantum Systems Laboratory, we study light-matter interactions using superconducting microwave circuits for exploring new physics in the quantum regime.

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### Nano-Photonics and Quantum Optics Lab

The Nano-Photonics and Quantum Optics Lab focuses on development and studies of novel forms of light-matter interactions and their applications using quantum optics and nanoscale photonic structure.

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### Quantum Encryption and Science Satellite (QEYSSAT)

The Quantum Encryption and Science Satellite (QEYSSat) plans to demonstrate quantum key distribution (QKD) in space. QKD is a technology that creates virtually unbreakable encryption codes and will provide Canada with secure communications in the age of quantum computing.

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### Quantum Interactions Theory Group

The Quantum Interactions Theory Group is a theoretical research group run by Christine Muschik.

The group develops novel tools for investigating and engineering light-matter interactions with applications in the field of quantum information science. Their work involves close collaborations with experimental groups and focuses particularly on finding new protocols for realizing (i) quantum networks and (ii) quantum simulations of models from high energy physics.

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### Quantum Photonic Devices Laboratory

The Quantum Photonic Devices Laboratory is focused on advancing quantum information science and technologies through the development of novel quantum light sources and solid-state quantum devices. The researchers also test fundamental questions in quantum photonics.

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### Spin Engineering Lab

Spin 1/2 particles are nature's qubits. They are useful as building blocks of prototype quantum systems with applications to sensing, simulation and computation. Our interest is to engineer spin systems to further the development of coherent control and in particular to extend our knowledge of multi-body physics.

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## Quantum Information



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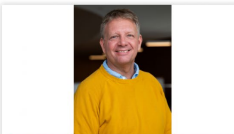
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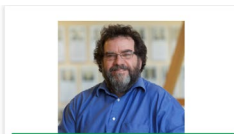
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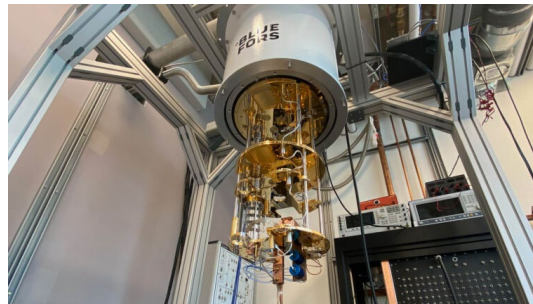
## Grand Challenges

### Research Themes

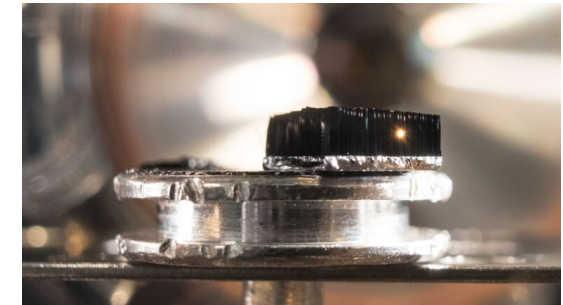
- Atomic Level Design of Quantum Materials
- Emergent Electronic Phenomena at Interfaces
- Topologically Protected Quantum States
- Photonic Manipulation of Quantum States



Atomistic approach to emergent properties of disordered materials



Engineering exotic phases in 2D materials



Pushing the boundaries of Noisy Intermediate Scale Quantum (NISQ) computing by Focusing on Quantum Materials





## Thrust 1: Quantum Materials Discovery and Development

Thrust 1 demonstrates and controls non-Abelian anyon states relevant to Quantum Information Science (QIS) in real materials. These states are expected to exist in electronic materials with nontrivial topologies and magnetic systems with entangled quantum spins, and the topological protection and delocalization of the states that make them attractive for QIS applications can also make them difficult to probe and to understand. Thus, research in this thrust is focused on understanding and developing topological electronic materials, quantum spin systems, and quantum probes.

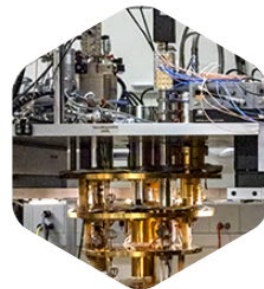
Led by ORNL's **Michael McGuire**



## Thrust 2: Quantum Algorithms and Simulation

Thrust 2 achieves predictive capabilities for the study of strongly coupled quantum systems, including topological systems and quantum field theories, and develops and tests quantum algorithms for quantum-limited sensors. QSC researchers are developing efficient, scalable, and robust quantum simulation and metrology algorithms, testing these algorithms in predictive dynamical quantum simulation and quantum sensing applications, and developing software tools to support algorithm analysis, optimization, and implementation.

Led by LANL's **Andrew Sornborger**

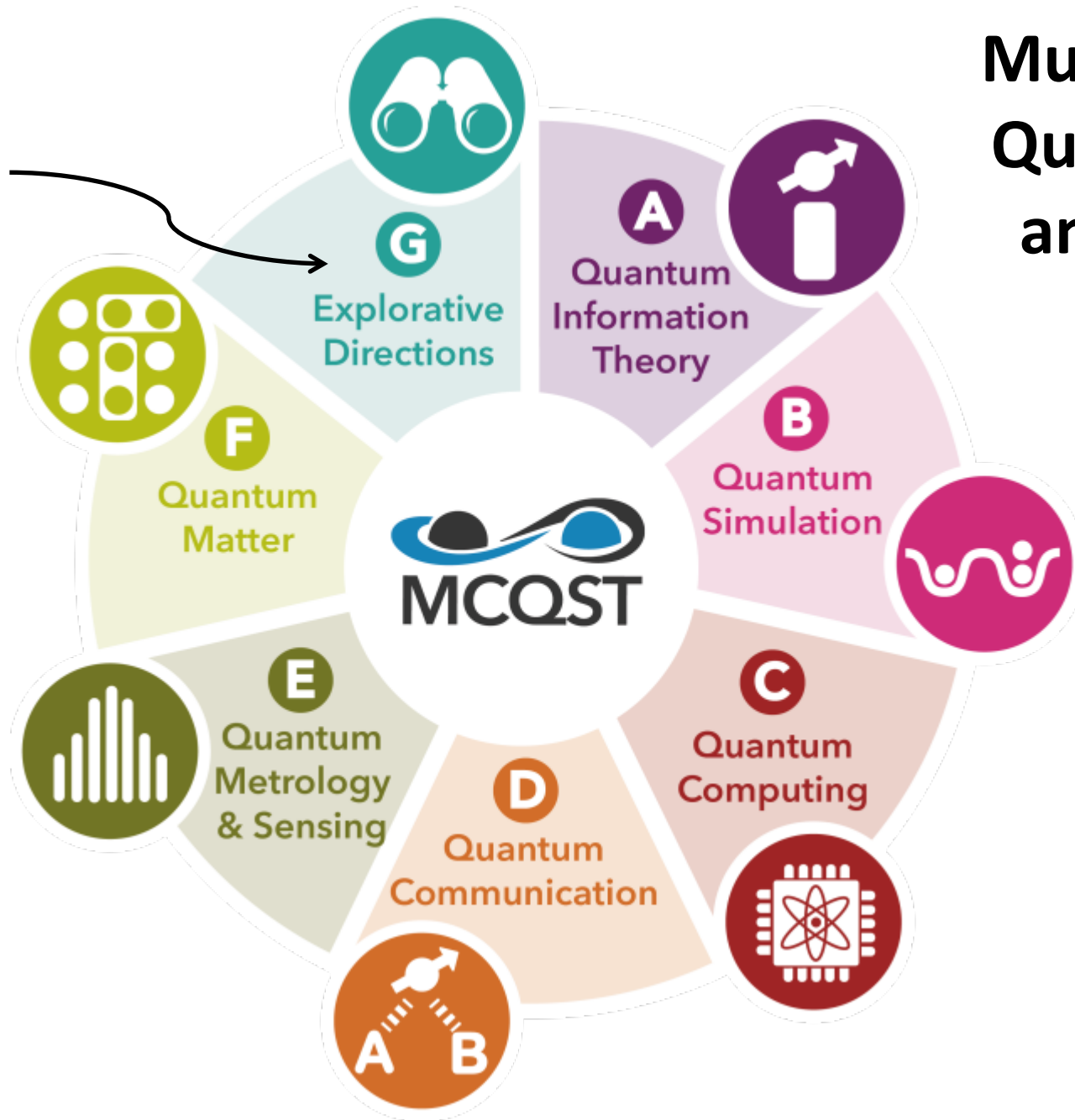


## Thrust 3: Quantum Devices and Sensors for Discovery Science

Thrust 3 develops an understanding of fundamental sensing mechanisms in high-performance quantum devices and sensors. This understanding allows QSC researchers, working across the Center, to co-design new quantum devices and sensors with improved energy resolution, lower energy detection thresholds, better spatial and temporal resolution, lower noise, and lower error rates. Going beyond proof-of-principle demonstrations, the focus is on implementation of this hardware in specific, real-world applications.

Led by Fermilab's **Aaron Chou**

Explore and identify novel research directions for QST in other fields of science, including fundamental physics, cosmology, high-energy physics, and quantum chemistry.



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